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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Toshiki USUI

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For: INK-JET RECORDING APPARATUS, RECORDING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please amend it as shown herein.

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